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1. On 25, 28, 29, 30 and 31 October 1953, a train was loaded with military personnel at Jueterbog-Altes Lager. Each train consisted of 53 boxcars with military personnel and arrived at Jueterbog-Altes Lager from Frankfurt/Oder.

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2. [redacted] the following shuttle-trains of 54 cars each were dispatched to the east between 28 October and 4 November:

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| Date | Dispatching Railroad District | Via |
|------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| 28 October | Dresden | Frankfurt/Oder |
| | Chemnitz | Fuerstlin-Kietz |
| 29 " | Greifswald | Fuerstlin-Kietz |
| 3 November | Erfurt | Fuerstlin-Kietz |
| 4 " | Greifswald | Fuerstlin-Kietz |

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3. Military shipments passing through the Wittenberge railroad station on 28 and 30 October included: a shipment of 8 x 76-mm AT guns from Wisner to Jueterbog on 28 October; and a shipment of eight artillery pieces of 122-mm from Harenow-Land to Fuerstenwalde on 30 October.
4. On 6 November, a shipment of 37 new M-3 armored personnel carriers went from Oranienburg to the Sachsenhausen concentration camp.
5. On 7 November, rocket launchers [redacted] were unloaded from eight railroad cars at the Satzkorn railroad station.

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6. On 9 November, a train of 10 boxcars with military personnel, [redacted] arrived at the Satz Korn railroad station. 5

7. On 9 November, a train of 8 boxcars, [redacted] was loaded with military personnel at the Satz Korn railroad station and dispatched to Bad Freienwalde. 5

8. The following shuttle-trains with military personnel passed through Kuestrin between 3 and 13 November:

Westbound

| <u>Date in</u> <u>November</u> | <u>Number of</u> <u>Cars</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 4 | 53 |
| 5 | 53 |
| | 54 |
| 6 | 53 |
| 7 | 57 |
| 8 | 56 |
| 9 | 48 |
| 10 | 53 |
| 11 | 54 |
| 12 | 54 |
| 13 | 56 |

Eastbound

| | |
|----|----|
| 3 | 58 |
| 4 | 54 |
| 5 | 55 |
| 6 | 53 |
| 7 | 52 |
| 8 | 54 |
| 9 | 55 |
| 10 | 53 |
| 11 | 55 |
| 12 | 56 |

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9. Shuttle-trains with military personnel dispatched via Frankfurt/Oder between 6 and 13 November included:

| <u>Date in</u> <u>November</u> | <u>Number of</u> <u>Cars</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 6 | 50 | Kuestrin | Cottbus |
| | 30 | Jueterbog | USSR |
| 7 | 50 | Fuerstenberg | Cottbus |
| | 35 | Meissen | Kuestrin |
| | 60 | Cottbus | " |
| 8 | 60 | Jueterbog | " |
| | 54 | Cottbus | Bad Freienwalde |
| 9 | 43 | Greifswald | Cottbus |
| 10 | 50 | Weimar | Kuestrin |
| 13 | 56 | Fuerstenberg | Cottbus |
| | 54 | Magdeburg | Kuestrin |
| | 56 | Meissen | " |

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1. Comment. [redacted] only three shuttle-trains with discharges were dispatched from Justerbog toward the east between 26 and 31 October 1953. [redacted]

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2. Comment. Shuttle-trains [redacted] were previously observed on the same route as reported in the present report. The dispatching of shuttle-train [redacted] from the Greifswald railroad district during the night of 4 November 1953 is confirmed in paragraph 8 in conjunction with the eastbound trains.

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3. Comment. On 6 November 1953, probably 37 armored personnel carriers for KVP were unloaded at Oranienburg. On 3 November 1953, the vehicles arrived in East Germany via Frankfurt/Oder on a train of 43 cars, which had Oranienburg, Perleberg and Halle as receiving stations. [redacted]

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4. Comment. The eight rocket launchers are reported for the first time. The weapons probably were allocated to the 248th Gds RL Bn of the 10th Gds Tank Div in Krampnitz. [redacted] Hq 10th Gds Tank Div in Krampnitz until 7 November 1953.

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5. Comment. The troop train [redacted] on 9 November 1953 is reported for the first time. The train carried replacements for the 10th Gds Tank Div. The troop train [redacted] reported on the same day was previously observed. The train hauled discharges of the same division to the processing point of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army.

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6. Comment. Shuttle-trains reported in paragraph 8 are commented on as follows:

Shuttle-train [redacted] Another report indicated that the train arrived in East Germany via Frankfurt/Oder on 4 November 1953. As, according to paragraph 2 of the present report, the train left for the East via Kuestrin on 30 October 1953, its return via Kuestrin is given more credence. The same applies to shuttle-train [redacted] on 3 November 1953. See also the movement of this train in conjunction with the eastbound trains in paragraph 8.

Shuttle-train [redacted] An unconfirmed observation stated that the train went from Freienwalde to Guben on 8 November 1953; thus, the return of the train via Kuestrin on 10 November is still doubted.

Shuttle-train [redacted] On 25 October 1953, the train was to be made available at the Neuruppin railroad station for its first shipment. The departure of the train, however, was not observed. On 10 November 1953, the train was re-determined for the first time en route from Guben to Justerbog. [redacted]

Thus, the dispatching of shuttle-train [redacted] to the east via Kuestrin is still doubted. [redacted]

A rerouting of the train in Poland from the Gerdauen railroad station to Jagodin appears rather improbable.

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Shuttle-train [redacted] The train is also confirmed en route to the east in paragraph 9.

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Shuttle-train [redacted] An unconfirmed report indicated that the train went from Meissen to Guben on 7 November 1953. [redacted]

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Shuttle-train [redacted] According to similar observations [redacted] the train went from Fuerstenberg to Guben on 7 November 1953. [redacted]

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[redacted] Thus, the information in paragraph 8 of the present report is incorrect.

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Shuttle-train [redacted] The train allegedly went from Justerbog to Guben on 11 November 1953. [redacted] Its employment via Kuestrin is reported for the first time.

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7. Comment. [redacted]

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Shuttle-train [redacted] hauled military personnel from Guben, Cottbus railroad district, to Frankfurt/Oder on 8 November 1953, and went empty from Frankfurt/Oder to Bad Freienwalde. [redacted]

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